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Serial No.: 09/855,045	)	Examiner: Catherine L. Anderson
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Filed: May 15, 2001	)	Confirmation #: 2567
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Title: Absorbent Article and Process	)	
for the Directed Drainage of	)	
Fluids Released in a Localized	)	
Manner	)	

**Amendment**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 18, 2004, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on  
page 2 of this paper.

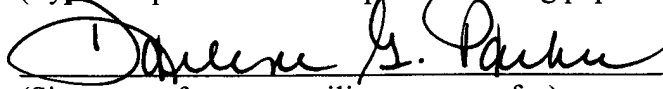
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**AMENDMENT**

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Fee requirements (if any) have been calculated as shown below:

Claims remaining after amendment	Highest number previously paid for	Present Extra	Additional Fee
Total Effective Claims 26 minus 30 = 0	7	X \$18 =	\$ .00
Independent Claims 7 minus 0 = 0		x \$86 =	\$ 00.00
If amendment enters proper multiple dependent claim(s) into this application for first time, add \$290.00 (per application)			\$ .00
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If Terminal Disclaimer enclosed, add Rule 20(d) Official Fee (\$110.00)			\$ .00
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